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1. On orders of Minister Rau, Helmut Gebauer, head of HV Schiffbau (Main Shipbuilding Administration), was temporarily appointed acting manager of the Warnow Shipyard in Warnemünde effective 5 October 1954. Gebauer, who is considered to be a shipbuilding expert, had been ordered to take appropriate steps to overcome the considerable arrears of quota deliveries of that shipyard. The direct placement of Gebauer was allegedly due to the instigation of the USSR Commercial Delegation in East Germany.
2. Mueller (fnu), head of VEB Galvanotechnik Leipzig (Leipzig Galvanotechnical Plant), nationalised plant), was dismissed without previous notice. His dismissal was announced by Minister Rau on the insistence of the Leipzig SED District Management. 25X1
- [redacted] Wittig (fnu) was made his successor. Wittig, who had formerly been chief manager of Vereinigung Volkseigener Betriebe des Elektrischen Maschinenbaus (Union of Nationalized Enterprises of Electrotechnical Manufacturers) (VVB VEM) and, prior to being assigned to the present position, was employed at the Main Shipbuilding Administration without definite functions. 25X1
3. Famin (fnu) who acted as advisor to the Main Shipbuilding Administration is not a prominent figure. It appeared that he negotiated directly with Gebauer, head of the Main Shipbuilding Administration. Frequent reminders recently received from the USSR Commercial Delegation in East Germany concerning the necessity of meeting the targets were obviously caused by orders of Famin.

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